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EDITORIAL

OH, THE UTTER FUTILITY OF WAR!

There is one issue we want settled once and for all in this presidential year, and we hope it can be settled by both major political parties declaring themselves with statements against American participation in the current European war.

Europe is no place for us!

Let both parties so declare themselves! Let every candidate be put on record!

Many of us are partial to the current war. We have made up our minds who we are "for." But, let it stop at that. Let it be remembered that England and France were "for" Czecho-Slovakia, China and Finland, ...yes and all the smaller nations that disappeared, BUT they didn't go to war for them!

In the excitement of the moment it is human to forget lessons of the past. Were Germany to destroy London in a mighty air raid, let not our emotions control our reason. Were millions even of innocent women and children killed, let us remember the lesson of 1917-18, that nobody wins a modern war! Were we to send 5 million men to France and a few of them to live to march in triumph into Berlin and were they to thrust a bloody sword into the heart of Herr Hitler.... the deed would be brave.... BUT STILL NOBODY WOULD HAVE WON! The result would still be NEW DEBTS, NEW PROBLEMS and NEW DISPUTES AND HATREDS TO LEAD TO FUTURE WARS.

The causes of wars are racial dislikes, over-armament and economic maladjustments. BUT none of these "causes" can be settled by a war!

NOW WE KNOW that the slogan "Make The World Safe for Democracy" is sheer BUNK!

Instead we made it "safe" for Hitler and the swarm of dictators!

And nobody yet knows just how close we came to getting a dictator in this country in the economic upheaval whose roots were in the last war! Get into another war and see what you have left of democracy!

Speaking in the Coliseum at St. Louis on September 8, 1919, the late president Wilson said: "The real reason, that the war that we have just finished took place was that Germany was afraid her commercial rivals were going to get the better of her, and the reason why some nations went into the war against Germany was that they thought Germany would get the commercial advantage of them."

That was after the war....

In his speech to Congress April 2, 1917, Mr. Wilson said: "The world must be made safe for democracy. Its peace must be planted upon the tested foundation of political liberty. We have no selfish ends to serve. We desire no conquest, no dominion, we seek no indemnities for ourselves.. we are but one of the champions of the rights of mankind."

Where were those other "champions" when the peace treaty was made? And where was our own love of mankind when it came time to join the league of nations!

NO, we cannot SAVE Europe from anything or anybody.

DISILLUSIONMENT is the most expensive article in the world to buy! Our forefathers came to this continent to GET OUT OF Europe. LET'S STAY OUT.

Most of you agree with that now.

BUT WILL YOU STILL AGREE with it when the papers and the radio scream bloody murder of innocent women and children.... of burned churches and bombed hospitals... of rape, death, ruin, the march of the Four Horsemen!

We are convinced that the future of our nation depends upon our not going again to war! If we do go to war, once again this paper will do its patriotic duty.... we will urge you to BUY government bonds until our national debt soars beyond 100 BILLIONS of dollars, we will beg you again not to use sugar or war necessities.... to "give until it hurts" for the Red Cross, the K. of C. and to knit sweaters for the boys "over there".... we will beg you not to bootleg on your ration cards.... we will salute the "gold star" Mothers.... yes, all the range of the execution of war.... but our hearts will be infinitely sad when the parades go by, when the crowds shout, FOR WE KNOW that when it would be over, we'd be right back where we started from in 1919. All we'd get out of it would be a new BONUS army and A DICTATOR!

FAME

From Raleigh News and Observer

Arthur Krock, who used to work in Louisville where Henry Watterson became the great editor he was, closed a recent article in the New York Times concerning Henry Watterson's centenary with these words: "Obviously many things endure, and with them, happily, the fame of Henry Watterson." It is to be hoped so. But "Marse Henry" Watterson who lived until 1921 after his fourth 100 years ago was not so sure about this business of enduring fame. Arthur Elliott Sprout sent to the Times (Watterson's own comment), as follows:

"I am a poet myself, my son. Did fame? I only completed one verse, which read as follows:

"A mound a little higher graded—
Perhaps upon a stone a chiseled name
A dab of printer's ink soon blurred and faded,
And then oblivion— that, that is fame."

Hamburger, German Term

Hamburger is a German term, made up from the name of the town of Hamburg (Germany) plus -er, ending of topographic adjectives. Hamburger, says Literary Digest, is the shortened form for hamburger (or hamburg) steak—fine ly ground or chopped beef.

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THE SEPULCHER: TRIUMPH OVER DEATH

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 27:57—28:6.
GOLDEN TEXT—But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.—I Corinthians 15:20.

The inspiration and spiritual renewing of Easter day comes to us again. How thankful every Christian should be for this day of remembrance of our Lord's triumph over death. How much we should praise God that the day for us who are His disciples is not one of outward display but of inward revival. May this Easter bring a real quickening to the Church.

In our series of lessons in Matthew we have followed our Lord in His life and ministry on through Gethsemane to Calvary. Today we find loving hands giving themselves in what they thought to be the final act of devotion to their Lord, and we also see the hands of wicked men active in what they thought was a final act of hatred. Then suddenly the Lord Himself breaks through in resurrection power.

I. Love Is Kind (27:57-61).

The women, whose devotion to their Lord never wavered, were joined in the final act of taking the body of Jesus from the cross and burying it by two secret disciples of the Lord who now came out into the open, Joseph of Arimathea, a member of the Sanhedrin (Luke 23:50, 51), and Nicodemus (John 19:39, 40). It was a courageous act on their part and undoubtedly the expression of their great love for Jesus.

The two Marys seemed to have stayed to watch the grave even after Joseph had gone to his home. The death of Jesus may have crushed their hopes, for they apparently did not recall His promise of resurrection, but they still loved Him. After all, is not that the ultimate essential mark of a disciple, love for our Lord? Faith may waver, hope be deferred, may make the heart sick with discouragement, but never heedless we will follow the example of these disciples and never let our love for Him grow cold. In due season such faithfulness finds a glorious reward.

II. Hatred Is Relentless (27:62-66).

The wicked men who had brought about the crucifixion of Jesus were not content to let their hatred of Him die at the grave. They lusted after His life and they had taken that, but even as He lay silent in the grave, the priests and the Pharisees came to Pilate and called Him "that deceiver" (v. 63) and demanded a special guard. They feared that His disciples would perpetrate a fraud, and after stealing the body declare that He was risen. Wicked and deceitful hearts can imagine all sorts of treachery on the part of others.

The hatred of unbelievers toward Christ and toward His followers knows no stopping place. In civilized lands and among cultured people it operates under a cloak of respectability, but it is none the less bitter and relentless in its pursuit of Him and of His Church.

Observe that while the chief priests and Pharisees acted in hatred and unbelief, they unwittingly did the cause of Christ a great service by demanding the guard over the tomb. They made it forever impossible for any charge of fraud to be successfully made against the truth of the resurrection.

III. Christ Is Triumphant (28:1-6).

Victory and praise should be the keynote of Christianity. Why should we be doleful and sad? Our Lord has come back victorious from the grave! We may be glad and sing even in the midst of earth's sorrow and distresses. Let praise be the employ of our lips constantly as we worship Him and work for Him.

The picture that greeted the surprised eyes of the two women as they came to the grave as it began to dawn on the first day of the week was one resplendent with the glory and majesty of God. The earth quaked as the lightning and white angel of the Lord broke through the unbreakable seal of Rome and rolled back the stone which was to have permanently closed the door to the tomb. This was done, not to release Christ—for He had already gone, no grave could hold Him—but that men might see the empty grave and know that He was risen.

To the foes of Christ represented by the keepers, the coming of the angel and the revelation of the power of God brought absolute discomfiture. Fear is still upon them will argue with theology, churchmethods, even Christian profession, until they see the power of God revealed, and then they can only be "as dead men."

To the friends of Christ the angel brought comfort and assurance. Their fears were assuaged by his word of comfort, and then their faith was revived by the assurance that Christ was risen. The resurrection declares that He is the Son of God with power, the Saviour of the world.

COLORED DOTS

A large crowd attended the funeral services of deacon Alex Branch last Tuesday at 2:30 P.M. at the Galilee Baptist church, with the pastor, Rev. Yates, officiating. Deacon Branch had been a faithful and loyal member of the church for a long number of years. Resolutions were read from the church, deacon board, Appomattox Ministers and Deacon's Union, the Norfolk and Western Railway Co. and several organizations of which he was a member. The church choir rendered several favorite selections of the deceased. The floral designs were many and beautiful. He leaves one son and one adopted daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

You are invited to attend the regular preaching service at the Promise Land church on Easter Sunday. The spastor will preach a special sermon and the choir will render special Easter music.

Parachutes Prove Value In Fighting Forest Fires

Parachute jumpers may be added to Uncle Sam's forest fire fighters in the West as a result of recent successful tests in which "smoke jumpers" dropped from airplanes to put out small fires starting in inaccessible back country areas.

The experiments by the forest service proved the idea both feasible and safe as a means of reaching fires in a short time after they are reported.

By motor, horseback, or on foot, fire crews may require 8 or 10 hours to reach a fire. Crews landed by airplanes at any one of the 76 landing fields, may still require several hours to reach a fire. In this time a fire may spread over many acres. The parachute fire fighter, however, reaches the fire before it has had a chance to spread.

A new type of parachute and a newly designed suit were used. The parachute has a larger spread than ordinary chutes and its wide apron with two flaps permits the jumper to land approximately where he wishes. The chute also cuts descent from the 16 to 18 feet per second of the ordinary chute to about 12 feet per second. The specially designed suit protects the jumper. The helmet, steel mesh mask, ankle braces, and heavy gloves give further protection.

Strangely enough, the parachute jumpers found landings in thick stands of young trees 20 or 30 feet high so easy that they promptly called them "feather-bed landings."

In fighting fires, the airplane pilot and smoke jumper first drop a small test parachute loaded with a 10-pound sand bag. The pilot notes the wind drift from the test chute as he circles the area so that as he approaches the spot the second time, the jumper can leave the plane at the correct position. The pilot circles at a time and drops the tool kit and equipment by burlap parachute, the entire procedure taking only 5 or 10 minutes.

Ranchers War on Coyotes

Wyoming ranchmen, with cattle rustling no longer the problem it was 25 years ago, have joined in a drive to control a menace that costs them an estimated $1,000,000 a year. The stockmen, aided by the United States bureau of biological survey, co-operating agencies and sportsmen, waged a winning fight against predatory game, still bountiful in that far-flung state. Ranchmen, hunters, and government employees have joined forces in helping to eliminate bobcats, coyotes, predatory bears and rodents. The biological survey reports that in one year the bureau's combined salaried and farmer-hunter personnel accounted for 10,277 animals. Since the work was inaugurated in 1915, Hamm said, more than 123,000 predators had fallen before the guns and traps of hunters.

The general public is invited to attend the county-wide musical contest to be held at the Carver high school Friday at 1:30 P.M. Mrs. Vernon Johns of R.R.Morton high school of Farmville, will serve as critic judge.

The central Federation of New Farmers of America will hold its district oratorical, quartet and stunt night at the Carver high school on Friday night, March 29 at 8:30 P. M. The Federation is composed of the following counties: Appomattox, Albemarle, Buckingham, Cumberland Goochland and Powhatan.

Funeral services for Bernard Watkins were held at the First Baptist church Wednesday at 3 P.M.

All members of the Promise Land church are asked to come out Saturday at 2:30 to the regular church meeting.

Miss Lillie Claytor, of Baltimore spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tibbs

Mrs. Florence Clinton is spending some time in Lynchburg.

Mrs. Millie Wright is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonah Stewart, of Roanoke spent Sunday here.

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Appomattox Personals

Special programs are being prepared for local churches Sunday.

Miss Pat Sears, of Richmond, is home for the Easter holiday.

Mrs. E.M. Mann spent Sunday in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Babcock spent the week-end at Gladstone.

Mrs W.R. Reynolds spent Sunday at Long Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Watt Stanley and daughter were in Richmond Sunday.

Pace Smith has accepted a position in Washington.

Judge Joel Flood was in Halifax Monday.

Miss Naomi Hancock spent yesterday with Mrs. A.G. Childress.

Billy Childress spent the week-end in Lynchburg.

Billy Steele, of Richmond, visited his mother here this week.

Miss Lucy LeGrand will spend Easter in Greensboro, N.C.

Albert Baird, of Buckingham was a visitor here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Abbitt Jr. will visit in Altavista Sunday.

Lt. Jack R. James, of Moneta, will spend Easter here.

Mrs. L. L. Gayle is spending this week-end in Richmond.

Henry Caldwell was in Farmville Monday.

C. Fwip, of Everett, Pa., will spend the week-end here.

Alfred LeGrand, of V.P.I. was home for the week-end.

C. S. Jenkins is spending today in Richmond.

State Senator C.T. Moses addressed the Lions Club at their regular meeting last Thursday evening.

Mrs. S. J. Evans and Mrs. T. Kelly spent yesterday in Lynchburg with Mrs. H.G. Johnson.

Mrs. C. B. Rexrode, of Clifton Forge is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Odor.

Miss Elizabeth Flinkstoc and Miss Charlotte Moses, of William & Mary College, will spend Easter here.

We are glad to report that Mrs. H.H. Hancock is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Lewis and son will spend the week-end at Chatham.

Judson Kinney, Jr., of V.P.I., spent the week-end with his parents near here.

Billy Ould, of Clifton Forge, was here recently to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.H.Ould.

Dr. D.N. Twyman is receiving treatment at Tucker Sanitorium in Lynchburg.

"Mimi" Cawthorn, of Petersburg will spend Easter here with his mother, Mrs. Eva Cawthorn.

Mrs. and Mrs. S.A Lawso, was hostess to the Tuesday bridge club this week.

Miss Mary Ann LeGrand will spend Friday to spend Easter with relatives in Greensboro, N.C.

Friends are glad to hear that Mrs. J.W. Cawthon, who has been sick, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Exton Harvey, of Chase City, will spend the week-end in the home of Mrs. Harvey's parents.

Miss Annie Hancock, of Salem, spent last week-end here with her mother, Mrs. W.M. Hancock.

The Rev. William Saffis, of near Roanoke, will preach Sunday at 11 A.M. at Liberty Baptist church.

Miss Edith Lodado, Jack Overstreet and Mrs. Wills will spend the week-end in Washington.

Miss Ilene Smith spent Sunday in Lynchburg with her sister, Mrs. A. B. White.

Miss Virginia Pittgerald, of Pamplin, is spending this week with Miss Jessie Fitzgerald.

B F Saunders, Jr., of Richmond will spend Easter here in the home of Cralle.

Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Baldwin, of Richmond, were guests of Miss Emily Featherston Sunday.

Mrs. Dan Dinelts left today to spend the holidays at his home in Harrisburg, Pa.

Cameron Seay, of Winchester will spend the week-end in the home of Judge and Mrs. Joel W. Flood.

The sentrait bridge club will meet Friday evening with Mrs. George F. Abbitt Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Houchens, of Charlottesville, will spend the week-end here with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Conner.

The Appomattox P.-T.A. will meet at the school library Wednesday March 27, at 3:15. A full attendance is desired.

A near-record crowd enjoyed the movie "Swanee River" at the Lee Theatre last night, and pronounced it one of the best ever seen here.

There will be an old-time fiddlers convention at the school auditorium Friday at 8 P.M., for the benefit of the school baseball team.

John Torrence and Frank Gleason, of the U.S. Navy, have returned to their duties after visiting Mr. Torrence's relatives in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Bowers, of Salem and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Staples, of Richmond will spend Easter in the home of Mrs. James B. Abbitt.

Mrs. E. I. Vanderslice is visiting relatives in Newport News. Mr. Vanderslice will spend the holidays there.

Dr. and Mrs. Havilah Babcock, and son, of Columbia, S.C., are spending the holidays at Appomattox Hotel.

Ned LeGrand, of Gaithersburg, Md., and Miss Elizabeth LeGrand, of S.T.C., Farmville, will spend Easter at their home here.

Miss Annie L. Davidson, who underwent an operation for appendicitis Wednesday at the Baptist hospital, is reported to be doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Lawson, of Spartansburg, S.C., will spend this week-end with relatives here and at Spout Spring.

Miss Doris Lucado, of Richmond, will spend Easter here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Lucado.

Miss Dorothy O'Brien, of Richmond and Miss Phoebe O'Brien, of Sweet Briar, will spend Easter with Mr. and Mrs. W.W. O'Brien.

Mrs. A.B. Nowlin, who has been visiting in Lynchburg will return to the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. W. O'Brien, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Woolfork and son, Billy, of Petersburg, will spend the holidays in the home of Mrs. W.M. Hancock

Mr. and Mrs. H.G. Johnson, and family, of Lynchburg, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Marshall.

Miss Dorothy Lee Johnson, of Lynchburg will spend part of the holidays with Miss Clara Whitney Moses.

Mrs. R. F. Akers and son, G. D., spent Tuesday night at Chase City with her daughter, Mrs. Exton Harvey.

Miss Mildred Christian, of Richmond and Miss Bess Christian, of Lynchburg are spending the holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Christian.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hunt, of Raleigh, N.C., Miss Sadie Reynolds and Lolyd Bradley, of Richmond, will spend Easter in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Reynolds.

Miss Jessie Fitzgerald spent the week-end at her home near Pamplin. She visited Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Fitzgerald, Jr. at Rustburg, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Smith of Portsmouth, announce the birth of a son, March 13. Mrs. Smith was formerly Miss Elizabeth Phelps, of this county.

Sam Conner and Milton Ray, of Perrum Training School and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Houchens, of Petersburg, will spend Easter with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Conner.

Misses Kate and Edith O'Brien and Cornelia Gills, and Robert Work will leave Friday morning for a trip to Charleston, S.C., and Florida.

Misses Edith and Kate O'Brien, Robert Work and Lewis Brian were entertained at tea Tuesday afternoon at the hom of Mrs. R. F. Akers.

Misses Kate O'Brien and Elaine McDearmon and Lewis Brian, and Robert Work, of Reading, Pa., were dinner guests Tuesday evening of Miss Phoebe O'Brien at Sweet Briar.

Miss Mildred McDearmon, of Columbia, S.C., has arrived to spend the Easter holidays here with her parents, Mayor and Mrs. C. S. McDearmon. Miss Elizabeth McDearmon and Richard McDearmon, of Richmond, will spend the week-end here.

W. T. Smith, of Clover, was a visitor in town today.

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As I walk through life alone.

Some may think I'm not lonely
When at times they see me smile,
But little do they know the heartache
That I suffer all the while.

Sometimes you are so near to me
I can all but hear you speak,
But again my vision vanishes
And I find I've been asleep.

Now she's gone but not forgotten,
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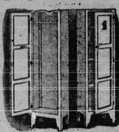

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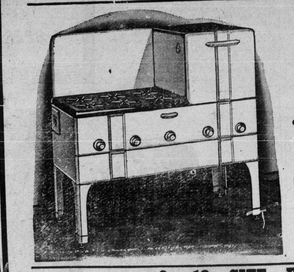

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